- 1. (AMENDED) A method comprising: determining a current location of a pickup; storing said current location of said pickup; opening a tracking servo loop; providing a near zero offset for a tracking actuator; and closing said tracking servo loop, when a function is selected.
- 2. The method of claim 1 further comprising, moving said pickup to said 10 current location.
 - 3. The method of claim 1 wherein said function comprises a play function.
- 15 4. The method of claim 1 wherein said function comprises a search function.
 - 5. The method of claim 1 wherein said function comprises a record function.
- The method of claim 1 wherein said step of storing comprises placing said current location in a memory area.
- 7. The method of claim 2 wherein said step of storing comprises placing said current location in a memory area.
 - 8. The method of claim 7 wherein said step of moving further comprises obtaining said current location from said memory area.
- 30 9. The method of claim 1 wherein said tracking servo loop includes a switch.
 - 10. The method of claim 9 wherein said step of opening further comprises opening said switch.
 - 11. The method of claim 10 wherein said step of closing further comprises closing said switch.

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- 12. The method of claim 1 wherein said current location comprises a track ID or a frame ID.
- 13. The method of claim 12 wherein said track ID or said frame ID is embedded in a track on an optical medium.
 - 14. The method of claim 13 wherein said track is a spiral or a concentric track.
- 50 15. The method of claim 14 wherein said optical medium is a substantially circular disc.
 - 16. The method of claim 1 wherein said step of determining further comprises: obtaining a sub-code from an information track; and extracting a track ID from said sub-code.
 - 17. The method of claim 1 wherein said rotating media player comprises an optical disc storage device.
- 18. The method of claim 17 wherein said optical disc storage device is a CD-ROM, a video laser disc player, a mini-disc player, a CD player, a CD rewritable player, a DVD player, a CD-recordable player, or a magneto-optical player.
- 19. (AMENDED) An apparatus comprising:
 a pickup configured to have a current location determined;
 a storage area for said current location;
 a tracking servo loop configured to be opened; and
 a tracking actuator configured to provide a near zero offset,
 wherein said tracking servo loop is closed when a function is selected.
 - 20. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said pickup is configured to be moved to said current location.
- 75 21. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said function comprises a play function.

- 22. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said function comprises a search function.
- 23. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said function comprises a record function.
 - 24. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said storage area comprises a memory area.
- 90 25. The apparatus of claim 20 wherein said storage area comprises a memory area.'
 - 26. The apparatus of claim 25 wherein said current location is obtained from said memory area before said pickup is moved.
 - 27. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said tracking servo loop includes a switch.
- 28. The apparatus of claim 27 wherein said tracking servo loop is 100 opened by opening said switch.
 - 29. The apparatus of claim 28 wherein said tracking servo loop is closed by closing said switch.
- 105 30. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said current location comprises a track ID or a frame ID.
 - 31. The apparatus of claim 30 wherein said track ID or said frame ID is embedded in a track on an optical medium.
 - 32. The apparatus of claim 31 wherein said track is a spiral or a concentric track.
- 33. The apparatus of claim 32 wherein said optical medium is a circular 115 disc.

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34. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said current location of said pickup comprises:
a sub-code configured to be obtained from an information track; and

a sub-code configured to be obtained from an information track; and a track ID configured to be extracted from said sub-code.

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- 35. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein said media player comprises an optical disc storage device.
- 36. The apparatus of claim 35 wherein said optical disc storage device is a CD-ROM, a video laser disc player, a mini-disc player, a CD player, a CD rewritable player, a DVD player, a CD-recordable player, or a magneto-optical player.
- 37. (AMENDED) A system comprising:

 means for determining a current location of a pickup;
 means for storing said current location of said pickup;
 means for opening a tracking servo loop;
 means for providing a near zero offset for a tracking actuator; and
 means closing said tracking servo loop, when a function is selected.

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- 38. The system of claim 37 further comprising means for moving said pickup to said current location.
- 39. The system of claim 37 wherein said function comprises a play 145 function
 - 40. The system of claim 37 wherein said function comprises a record function
- 150 41. The system of claim 37 wherein said function comprises a search function
 - 42. The system of claim 37 wherein said means for storing comprises means for placing said current location in a memory area.
- The system of claim 38 wherein said means for storing comprises means for placing said current location in a memory area.

- 44. The system of claim 43 wherein said means for moving further comprises means for obtaining said current location from said memory area.
- 45. The system of claim 37 wherein said tracking servo loop includes a switch.
 - 46. The system of claim 45 wherein said means for opening further comprises means for opening said switch.
- 170 47. The system of claim 46 wherein said means for closing further comprises means for closing said switch.
 - 48. The system of claim 37 wherein said current location comprises a track ID or a frame ID.
 - 49. The system of claim 48 wherein said track ID or said frame ID is embedded in a track on an optical medium.
- 50. The system of claim 49 wherein said track is a spiral or a concentric 180 track.
 - 51. The system of claim 50 wherein said optical medium is a substantially circular disc.
- 185 52. The system of claim 38 wherein said means for determining a current location further comprises:

means for obtaining a sub-code from an information track; and means for extracting a track ID from said sub-code.

- 190 53. The system of claim 37 wherein said rotating media player comprises an optical disc storage device.
- 54. The system of claim 53 wherein said optical disc storage device comprises a CD-ROM, a video laser disc player, a mini-disc player, a CD player, a CD rewritable player, a DVD player, a CD-recordable player, or a magneto-optical player.

55. (AMENDED) A computer program product comprising:

- a computer usable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein comprising:
- computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to determine a current location of a pickup;

computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to store said current location of said pickup;

computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to open a tracking servo loop;

computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to provide a near zero offset for a tracking actuator; and

computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to close said tracking servo loop, when a function is selected.

- 215 56. The computer program product of claim 55 further comprising computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to move said pickup to said current location.
- 57. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said function 220 comprises a play function.
 - 58. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said function comprises a search function.
- 59. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said function comprises a record function.
- 60. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to store comprises computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to place said current location in a memory area.
- 61. The computer program product of claim 56 wherein said computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to store comprises computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to place said current location in a memory area.

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62. The computer program product of claim 61 wherein said computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to move further comprises computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to obtain said current location from said memory area.

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- 63. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said tracking servo loop includes a switch.
- 64. The computer program product of claim 63 wherein said computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to open further comprises computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to open said switch.
- 65. The computer program product of claim 64 wherein said computer 255 readable program code configured to cause a computer to close further comprises computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to close said switch.
- 66. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said current location comprises a track ID or a frame ID.
 - 67. The computer program product of claim 66 wherein said track ID or said frame ID is embedded in a track on an optical medium.
- 265 68. The computer program product of claim 67 wherein said track is a spiral or a concentric track.
 - 69. The computer program product of claim 68 wherein said optical medium is a substantially circular disc.

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70. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to determine further comprises:

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computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to obtain a sub-code from an information track; and

computer readable program code configured to cause a computer to extract a track ID from said sub-code.

- 71. The computer program product of claim 55 wherein said rotating media player comprises an optical disc storage device.
- 72. The computer program product of claim 71 wherein said optical disc storage device is a CD-ROM, a video laser disc player, a mini-disc player, a CD player, a CD rewritable player, a DVD player, a CD-recordable player, or a magneto-optical player.

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